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"when she is walking on her father's estate."—*Boston Transcript*.

ored man, said: "You are affected with night sweats." "Dat's a fact."

"Why didn't you put it on?" "Because it ain't near as good as this one."

—*Texas Siftings.*
We learn from an exchange that

The shape of the new spring bonnets is medium. No bonnets so tiny as the

flowers, buds and leaves, and a rosette-like base of gold velvet at roadside.

inch wide, the other two inches, is placed on top of the rim and a cluster

of long-stemmed dandelions is nestled at one side. The strings of the basket

to bear washing. Resenchek, of Munich, mixes together the usual 3

quite thickly to the wall or other surface; let dry one day, and then wash

resco surface can be prepared with it
in the dry way."

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FRIDAY AFTERNOON, FEB. 16, 1883.

DELAWARE R.R.—TRAINS LEAVE MIDDLETOWN, GOING NORTH, 7:30 A.M. 11:30 A.M. 5:00 P.M. GOING SOUTH, 10:15 A.M. 2:10 P.M. 7:30 P.M.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Town Notes.

—Rice purposes manufacturing ice cream by steam next summer.

—The usual services will be held at St. Anne's Church on Sunday next.

—W. H. Johnson, who has been seriously ill for the past ten days, is reported to be better.

—Petitions to the Legislature favoring county division are being circulated at Middletown.

—The steamer *Olio* is being painted and will begin regular trips between Odessa and Philadelphia about the first of March.

—Theodore Hevelow, a negro corn tlasher of St. Georges, hundred, received ten lashes at the whipping post on Saturday.

—Mrs. M. G. Leavitt, of Boston, will lecture this evening at the Town Hall on "Woman's Work in the Temperance Reform."

—The spring crop of buck agents, and peddlers promises to be very heavy on the Peninsula. The first picking has already arrived.

—The revival meetings at the M. E. Church were closed on Thursday evening. About thirty persons have professed conversion since the meetings began.

—Echenhofer & Long have received from the west a lot of young Kentucky mules and horses, and are disposing of them at private sale at their stables.

—This week has thus far been a bad one for public sales, but those held in this neighborhood have been well attended, and live stock has brought good prices.

—Henry Ward Beecher will lecture at Wilmington next Tuesday evening. We fear for Henry. He may in an unguarded moment eat of a Wilmington sandwich, and then all is lost.

—Thomas P. Scott has rented of Mrs. M. E. Clayton the building on Main street recently occupied by Mr. Cooling, and will move his store there. An annex is to be built in the rear.

—The regular meeting of the Mutual Loan Association will be held on next Tuesday evening. Stockholders who want to borrow will have an opportunity to bid at a goodly surplus fund.

—New York and Philadelphia newspapers are rather slow this season in sending their correspondents to Delaware to estimate the peach crop of 1883. The estimates were due some weeks ago.

—The Irving Lyceum will hold a public meeting on Thursday evening. An entertaining debate, several original papers and much good music is promised. A nominal admission fee of five cents will be charged.

—To-morrow evening Sam Sanford's "Old Time Minstrels" will appear at the Town Hall in burnt-work specialties. Sam comes every season, as regularly as the almanac, and usually has an entertaining show.

—If Middletown folks want to learn how inefficient a hand engine is at a fire, when supplied only by private pumps, they should ask their neighbors of Elkton and Smyrna. Both these towns have had ample experience in this line.

—Last Sunday was a very stormy day, and one could stay away from church without being much chided by his conscience, but both the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches had good congregations. No services were held at St. Anne's.

—There was a very pleasant social dancing party at the residence of Mr. M. L. Hardcastle on Monday evening. About forty ladies and gentlemen were present and enjoyed themselves greatly. The Townsend orchestra furnished excellent music.

—The Lyceum on Monday evening will settle the question of "Which is more amusing, at any rate, Married men who intend to take part had better leave their wives at home."

—A special meeting of the stockholders of the Peninsula and Agricultural Association will be held at the association's room in Middletown on Saturday of next week, 24th instant. The committee appointed to solicit subscriptions of new stock will then report.

—Mr. B. M. Crawford, of Cecil county, has kindly sent us for perusal several copies of the *Wilmington Daily Gazette* of 1828. We shall examine them carefully, when we get the time, hoping to find a few items of later Peninsular news than some of our exchanges are printing.

—David A. Knotts, of Odessa, has rented the Kent county farm of E. Reynolds, near Clayton, and will move there on about March 1st. Mr. Knotts, who has resided on this farm for about ten years, will remove to a farm he recently purchased, near Blackbird, this county.

—Mrs. E. E. Baldwin, a returned missionary from China, gave a very interesting account of the manners and customs of that far-away country, at the M. E. Church on Sunday evening. Notwithstanding the bad weather a large audience came to hear her. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society gained a large number of new members.

—The planet Venus is now the morning star and rises about five o'clock, presenting a grand and beautiful appearance just above the eastern horizon. We have not seen it, but we learn the above related facts from a brother editor who had to get up at four o'clock of a recent morning to throw a testimonial of his appreciation at a cat quartet on the stage.

—At the request of Union Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of Middletown, we print this week, on another page, a very old document concerning the antiquity and mysteries of Maggery, that will doubtless be read with interest, particularly by the members of the craft. It is taken from an old book entitled "Abliman Rezon," printed in Philadelphia in 1783.

—Parvis & Biggs' new fertilizer factory, to be built near the Fair Grounds, will be 36 by 72 feet and two stories in height. Additions will be made as the business of the firm grows. Work upon the building will begin about April 1st. Mr. Parvis, who will manage the business, will remove to the residence he recently purchased of Mr. G. F. Brady, corner of Main and Scott streets, about March 25th.

The proposition to buy a second-hand fire engine did not meet with much favor at the meeting of the Town Commissioners and Citizens' Fire Apparatus Committee Wednesday evening. In the matter of protection against fire, Middletown is hardly disposed to begin now, and if we have a fire engine it would be of little use until water is provided for it.

The annual town election will be held in a few weeks. A ticket will be nominated favorable to providing the town with an ample water supply for fire purposes, and new and efficient fire apparatus at the lowest possible cost. Let those who are opposed to means of water supply other than private pumps, meet the issue fairly and squarely, if they are a mind to, and the voters will settle it at the ballot box.

County.

—J. T. Ellison, of New Castle, is in Florida to recuperate his health.

—Henry Ward Beecher will lecture in the Grand Opera House, in Wilmington, next Tuesday evening on "Evolution and Revolution."

—Rev. Henry Rumer, pastor of St. Georges Presbyterian Church, was given a donation party by his congregation on last Friday evening.

—During the week from February 19 to 24 the Lecturer of Delaware State Grange will visit the subordinate granges of New Castle county.

—The operatives of the Arlington cotton mills at Wilmington struck on Saturday on account of a reduction of wages, but resumed work on Monday.

State.

—During the revival at the Smyrna M. E. Church nearly seventy persons have professed conversion.

—A. K. McClure, Esq., of the Philadelphia Times, is engaged to lecture at Smyrna on April 10.

—The steamer *J. E. Tygart* will resume her three trips a week between Smyrna and Philadelphia on Monday.

—The house of James H. Evans, at Wyoming, was robbed of \$200 worth of silverware and provisions, Monday night.

—Reuben A. Stewart has been appointed postmaster at Milford. He is forty years old, and has a stalwart backbone, of course.

—Burglars entered the house of Mrs. Elizabeth Allen, at Camden, Sunday night, and stole silverware and wearing apparel valued at \$75.

—Fifteen hundred barrels of Chinotogue oysters were shipped over the Junction and Breakwater railroad to New York city last Friday.

—The Presbyterians of Smyrna have purchased two lots on Commerce street at an aggregate cost of \$850, and intend soon to erect thereon a new church to cost from \$8,000 to \$10,000.

—The officers' reports, submitted at the annual meeting of the Old Dominion Steamship Company, held in New York on Tuesday, make a very satisfactory exhibit for the past year, and especially of the company's interests on the Delaware Peninsula.

—The thing now most engaging the attention of the farmers is the lifting of the ban on the coming season, which commences March 1st. They are wider apart than usual, the laborers demanding \$2.00 and \$3.00 more a month than last year, with little disposition to compromise, and farmers have had to yield, because of the scarcity of help. The prices range from \$12.00 to \$16.00 per month.—*Smyrna Times*.

Maryland Matters.

—Forty cases of smallpox are reported at Liberia, Somerset county.

—Two car loads of oysters are shipped daily from Franklin City to Philadelphia.

—A cotton factory with thirty-six looms has been put in operation at Klef Grange, Worcester county.

—A movement is on foot to hold a national convention of farmers in Baltimore next summer.

—A Crisfield man named Lawson recently took a big drink of whiskey and directly keeled over and died. When a man drinks whiskey in a local option town he takes his life in his hands, unless he is copper-lined and riveted.

—The new Episcopal Church at Chesapeake City will be opened for divine service on Sunday next. Rev. William Schuler will conduct the services. The church is a very neat edifice and much of an ornament to Chesapeake City.

—The Continental Life Insurance Company of New York, which suspended some years ago, and in which a large number of citizens of Cecil county held policies, has just declared another dividend to its creditors of 8 per cent. The first dividend was about double the present one.

The School Book Question.

We have recently printed several communications in reference to the neglect of the clerk of this school district to keep on hand school books for distribution to the scholars at cost prices, as provided for in a supplement to the Free School Law, passed by the General Assembly two years ago. It seems that the clerk, on account of his many other duties and his residence out of town, accepted the office with the understanding that he was to be excused from this school book distribution, and he was so excused. This relieves him from the duty of neglecting to comply with the law. If the Board of Education has any statement to make our columns are open to it. It is said the law does not apply to this school district. If it does not, we think it would be very proper for the Board of Education to explain, so that the people would understand the matter. We rather think that a clerk's duties under the provisions of this act would be rather taxing and unenviable, particularly as there is no compensation attached to the office, and the people can hardly blame Mr. Willis for declining to be a book dispenser for the school district. But when the General Assembly has enacted a law to excuse him from procuring school books of the State Superintendent and keeping them for sale at cost to the scholars of this district, is a question for the board to answer.

Foreign Labor.

Some of the leading farmers of Talbot county are awakening to the necessity of obtaining a more reliable sort of labor, and a movement has been started to introduce German labor direct from Castle Garden, New York. Col. Edward Lloyd is the principal mover in the matter, and in a few weeks will send a native German to secure several families. This arrangement is necessitated by the untrustworthiness of the negroes who have heretofore been the dependence of farmers. These German inconveniences have been experienced in Queen Anne's county, and the Record, time and again, has pointed out the absolute necessity of farmers making an effort to procure more reliable labor. The large quantity of corn yet in the field not husked and housed is giving life to a movement in the right direction.—*Centreville Record*.

New Loan Association.

The newly-chartered Mutual Loan Association of Townsend organized on last Monday evening by electing the following officers: President, John F. Staats; Secretary and Treasurer, William A. Scott; Directors, J. F. Staats, George M. D. Hart, D. B. Maloney, Dr. J. V. Crawford, W. R. Martin, Thomas Maloney, Geo. L. Townsend, Dr. T. A. Enock, S. R. Warren.

A meeting will be held on next Monday evening, when the first payment will be made on stock.

The Lyceum.

The long-promised Lyceum on Monday evening was attended by a goodly number of members and visitors. President Lewis being absent, vice-President W. N. Wilson presided. The program of exercises was one of the most entertaining that has been given by the society this season. The musical renditions were particularly pleasing to the audience. Mrs. Muse, of Baltimore, and a member of the Oratorio Society of that city, was present and kindly favored the audience with two vocal selections, with both of which the Lyceum was much delighted, and at the conclusion of the session tendered her a unanimous vote of thanks. Miss Lillie Standish, a very pretty instrumental selection, "Home, Sweet Home," with variations, was awarded well-deserved praise. The "Les Dames de Seville Waltzes," violin obligato, was spiritedly rendered by Miss Adeline Hazard, Miss Helen Morton and Mr. Lloyd Chamberlaine, and were much applauded.

The literary exercises were opened by a very pleasing reading by Miss Mamie Lingo, "Buying Gape Seed." Though the effort was the young lady's first before the Lyceum, she rendered her selection in very praiseworthy style. Mr. M. E. Smith, who also made his first appearance before the society, read "The Dying Yew" in a pleasing manner.

Mr. R. Rice reads well and the society is always glad to hear him. W. S. Way read an original paper on "Stage Fright" and illustrated it with himself. The names of several new members were added to the roll before the society was closed by the meeting of the society on next Monday evening should be public. There will doubtless be a very entertaining program of exercises, including readings, essays, a discussion, and good music. The subject for discussion, which, by the way, is to be impromptu, is: "Which runs the greater risk in entering matrimony, man or woman?"

Fraternal Greetings.

The MIDDLETOWN (Del.) TRANSCRIPT has entered upon its fifth volume. The TRANSCRIPT has an original way of its own, and thus it takes a front seat in the orchestra. The hand will write as usual; the TRANSCRIPT editor will enjoy the ballet, and as the actors step to the footlights and read their parts, editor Way will record his opinions in such a manner that his thousands of readers will applaud and cry for the TRANSCRIPT. The paper is not only spicy but it is handsome in its new typographical dress.—*Whitehall (N. Y.) Times*.

Legislative Notes.

—The Wilmington and Northern railroad bill passed the House on Wednesday.

—The New Castle and Wilmington narrow gauge bill was reported on adversely by the committee.

—The Baltimore and Ohio bill passed the House by a unanimous vote, notwithstanding Mr. Dean's fight against it. The bill empowers the Baltimore and Ohio to pass through Newark, for the completion of the road, to the month of December, 1884.

—The Immigration bill with amendments providing for a Board of Immigration of one member from each county and the Governor, and for an annual appropriation of \$5,000, passed the House yesterday. The members of the board are to serve without compensation and are to appoint an executive officer and fix his salary. The Senate refused to concur in the amendments.

Levy Court.

Yesterday it was resolved by the Levy Court that Walter Cummins, Esq., the attorney for the Trustees of the Poor, and George Gray, Esq., the attorney for the Levy Court, draft a bill to take the place of the one already before the Legislature, asking for a loan of \$250,000, and that what is known as the almshouse property be put in the hands of proper trustees appointed by joint committee of the Levy Court and the Trustees of the Poor to be held to help pay off the indebtedness of the board. Further that the trustees hereafter are not to borrow money, their expenses to be raised by taxes through the Levy Court.

Real Estate Sales.

The Kent county real estate of the late Horace Spruance was sold at public sale on Wednesday by W. C. Spruance, Esq., administrator, as follows:

No. 1.—Home farm A, 225 acres and 145½ perches, at \$130 per acre, to A. L. Hudson. Farm B, lying between the Duck Creek road and the mill pond, 100 acres and 46½ perches, \$60.25 per acre, to Wm. C. Spruance. Lot C, adjoining B on the east, 7 acres and 70 perches, \$67 per acre, to Wm. C. Spruance. Lot D, adjoining C on the east, 5 acres and 155 perches, \$80.25 per acre, to Robert Denney.

No. 2.—Lot of one acre of ground at Clayton, \$25, to Manlove Hayes, for the Delaware railroad.

The lands in Kent county, not counting the fractions in perches, aggregated \$36,488.

Sales to Take Place.

SATURDAY, FEB. 17.—At the Administrator's sale of the personal property of the late Abram Jones, in Cedar Lane.

MONDAY, FEB. 19.—Administrator's sale of live stock and farm implements of the late William Welden, near Townsend, to the administrators.

TUESDAY, FEB. 20.—Public sale of live stock and farm implements by C. B. Warren, near Townsend.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 21.—Public sale of stock and farm implements by John B. Keller, near Townsend.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 21.—Administrator's sale of personal property of M. E. Walker, deceased, at Armstrong's Corner, New Castle county.

THURSDAY, FEB. 22.—Public sale of live stock and farm implements, by W. H. Houston, near Pleasant.

FRIDAY, FEB. 23.—Public sale of stock and implements by R. J. Ford, near St. Augustine, Md.

FRIDAY, FEB. 23.—Public sale of stock and farm implements by A. J. Wright, near Odessa.

SATURDAY, FEB. 24.—Administrator's sale of personal property of the late Levi W. Latomus, at Townsend.

SATURDAY, FEB. 24.—Public sale of live stock and farm implements by David C. Vail, on road from St. Georges to Summit Bridge.

MONDAY, FEB. 26.—Public sale of live stock and farm implements, by Harry Davis, on the "Levels."

MONDAY, FEB. 26.—Public sale of live stock and farm implements by Isaac Macy, near McDonough.

TUESDAY, FEB. 27.—Public sale of farm stock and implements near Union Church, by F. C. C. Brooks.

TUESDAY, FEB. 27.—Public sale of live stock and farm implements by Andrew Eliason, near Mt. Pleasant.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 28.—Public sale of stock and farm implements by Levin Hopkins, near St. Georges.

A Twenty-five Dollar Book.

The long-promised "Historical and Biographical Encyclopedia of Delaware," compiled by Messrs. J. M. McCarter and B. F. Jackson, and published by the Aldine Publishing and Engraving Company, has been delivered to subscribers in this neighborhood. It is an elaborate looking volume, bound in full morocco, and its 572 pages contain a brief history of Delaware, by Rev. W. W. Taylor; a paper on the Judicial System of Delaware, by Hon. N. B. Smithers; "Political Parties," by Hon. George P. Fisher; "The Free Schools of Delaware," by Prof. J. H. Groves; "The Education of the Colored People," by H. C. Conrad, Esq.; brief historical articles on Delaware College, Newark Academy, Wilmington Conference Academy, Wesleyan Female College; State histories of the various religious denominations; a history of the Delaware railroad, by Manlove Hayes, Esq.; historical sketches of private individuals, and about 500 biographical sketches of native or resident Delawareans. There are steel plates of old Swedes Church, Delaware College, the First Presbyterian Church at Wilmington, several industrial concerns, and about 140 portraits of dead and living Delawareans. The historical articles are the main valuable contributions to State history, but they abound in innumerable typographical errors. In Doctor Vailand's excellent sketch of Forest Church the present pastor is called "W. C. Anderson," instead of W. C. Alexander, and the book is marred by similar errors—"too numerous to mention." The book does not come up to the expectations of all its subscribers in this neighborhood, and we have an idea that the next man who comes around here soliciting for anything in the same line will get hurt. However, as a biographical encyclopedia of subscribers to the "Historical and Biographical Encyclopedia of Delaware," the book is much of a success.

Levy Court Appointments.

The Levy Court of New Castle county made the following appointments on Friday last: Attorney for Levy Court, George Gray, Esq.; Physician for County Jail, John J. Black, M. D., of New Castle; county treasurer, William Herbert of New Castle; janitor of Court House, Thomas B. Smith; night watchman of Court House, John M. Enos; fireman of Court House, Jas. A. O'Donnell; Trustees of the Poor, James Bradford, Wilmington; Nathaniel Williams, St. Georges; George M. D. Hart, Appoquinimink; Thomas G. Bird, Brandywine; Samuel L. Armstrong, Blackbird. Collectors were chosen as follows: Brandywine, Jacob Hanby; northern district of Wilmington, Patrick Neary; southern district of Wilmington, John T. Dickey; Christiansburg, Charles M. New; New Creek, Joseph Barker; White Clay Creek, William B. Mackey; Pencader, William Wilson; New Castle, James Toner; Red Lion, George M. Bright; St. Georges, James Gray; Appoquinimink, John R. Welden; Blackbird, Robert M. Huggins.

Grange Meeting.

Port Penn Grange will hold a public meeting at Hickory Grove school-house on Monday, February 19th, at 6.30 P. M. Henry Thompson, Master, and Wm. P. Cora, Lecturer, of Delaware State Grange, will be present and give addresses. Farmers and the public generally are cordially invited to attend.

Personal.

—Mr. H. L. Davis, of Granite, Va., and eldest son of Col. Lawrence Davis, is visiting his parents and friends in this neighborhood.

Church Wedding at Port Penn.

PORT PENN., DEL., Feb. 15, 1883. Miss Emma Cleaver and Abram Vandegrift were married in the Presbyterian Church on Wednesday evening at a few minutes past eight. It was the perhaps the most imposing affair of the kind that has ever taken place in this church, which was beautifully decorated with arches of arbutus and holly, the bright berries contrasting with the dark green. A large pew, in front of the pulpit, was lighted with candles, which had the effect of gas. A horse-shoe, composed of flowers, was suspended from this. A number of flowering plants were arranged in pyramid in the pulpit, which, with hanging baskets on either side, had a very pretty effect. The ladies' convention and a few other guests invited to the reception occupied reserved seats and were in evening toilet. The bridesmaids and groomsmen were: Miss Dillie Cleaver and Mr. Lewis C. Vandegrift, of Wilmington; Miss Sue L. Price and Mr. Robert Handy, of the Newark Ledger; Miss Lizzie Janvier and Mr. Boyd Cleaver, Miss Lizzie Cleaver and Mr. Thomas Janvier. The ushers were Mr. Harry Walter of Wilmington, and Mr. Thomas Dale Stewart. The bride was lovely in white with flowing veil, and all her attendants were also white-robed, with some distinguishing colors. All the guests appeared at the wedding in great advantage. Rev. S. Gilbert Boardman performed the ceremony in an exceedingly beautiful and impressive manner. Later in the evening quite a company of relatives and a few particular friends were entertained at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Isaac Cleaver. All present were beautiful or useful, and some very valuable.

Fire Apparatus.

EDITOR TRANSCRIPT.—In regard to providing means for relieving our town from the dangers of fire, there seems to be a commendable interest taken by our citizens. Before committing ourselves to anything which might directly or indirectly be the beginning of expense to the already overburdened taxpayer, the object being made certain, the means should be well considered and acted upon. The first consideration should be before acting is: Can any and what system for the extinguishment of fires, reasonably adequate, be had in an inland village which it would be prudent for its citizens to provide as a business investment? It is true that in a larger town every fire engine, known for its purpose, is a question of the amount of taxable property in regard to what ought to be adopted. The Commissioners long ago should have framed and printed instructions and addressed them to the situation of our village, inquiring as to the situation of our citizens in regard to fire appliances. Our wise citizens will not be able to evolve from their inner consciousness alone exactly that which is best, but the means of information are cheap. It is yet a question whether anything really adequate can be had short of the Holly system of water-hose. Within ten years, at our present works, within ten years, at our present

rate of increase, we might be equal to this system, and undoubtedly whatever expense in the way of elevated reservoirs or tubing the town, which we may go to, will be an entire loss in the event of such adoption. As to the elevated reservoirs which now seem to have the call, would any commissioner like to decorate the streets of our town with six or eight such pots? We have no record of like structures anywhere. If such are in vogue, then there is some evidence of their being of some good. An isolated central reservoir would not be acceptable, as the principle now is well admitted—"No expenditure of public money except for general good." It is a dangerous power that a town should have the right to borrow money. It is too much a surrender of the rights of property by the citizen, and it should never be given unless the object is definite and the plan for its expenditure is digested and meets reasonably the approval of the people. To give such power to an unknown Board of Commissioners shortly to be elected, and the town in a turmoil of clashing views, would be exceedingly unwise. The well system, cistern system, reservoirs and pipes from mill-pond system all have their ingenious advocates, and until there is some pre-arrangement, attained by some faction, the whole thing is chaos, and any step in their direction one in the dark. There is a large amount of money lying idle in the treasury which was raised partially for the purchase of an engine, hooks, ladders and buckets. These are necessities, and are equally useful with or without any of the so-called systems. (A large chemical engine would also be worth the outlay.) This could be purchased without borrowing a cent. Let all the factions take the one sure step and then go slow. The hand engine, hook and ladder and buckets are the first steps in the history of fire extinguishment in all towns. If rash persons desire to do an original course let them reflect that this requires the use of public money.

MARRIED.

SMITH—MULLIN. In Cedron, on February 1, 1883, James Smith and Rebecca Mullin were united.

COPPS—ROBINSON. At the M. E. Parsonage, Cedron, on February 1, 1883, William Copps and Kate Robinson, both of this county.

DIED.

ERNEST—At Sassarum, Md., on the 2d inst., Fagan Ernest, in 20th year of his age.

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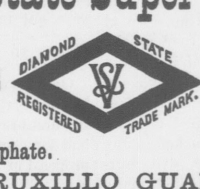
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